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1. THE FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF THE RELEASE RE
WALTER L. RAY WHICH THE EDWARDS AFB PIO WILL GIVE TO THE
PRESS AT 1700 PACIFIC STANDARD TIME, 7 JANUARY 1967:

2. THE PILOT OF THE LOCKHEED SR-71 TYPE EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT WHICH CRASHED THURSDAY IN NEVADA, WAS WALTER L. RAY, 33, OF 7900 SARRELANE STREET, CANOGA PARK, CALIFORNIA. SEARCH FOR THE PILOT IS CONTINUING.

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3. PLEASE ENSURE THAT [REDACTED] OF LOCKHEED AND

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OF HUGUES ARE AWARE OF ITS CONTENTS.

4. KELLY JOHNSON HAS APPROVED THE TEXT OF THIS RELEASE.

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